

SEC. 607. PROHIBITION AGAINST REQUIRING CERTAIN INJURED MEMBERS TO PAY FOR MEALS PROVIDED BY MILITARY TREATMENT FACILITIES.

(a) Temporary Prohibition- Section 402 of title 37, United States Code, is amended--

- (1) by redesignating subsection (h) as subsection (i); and
- (2) by inserting after subsection (g) the following new subsection:

` (h) No Payment for Meals Received at Military Treatment Facilities-

(1) A member of the armed forces who is undergoing medical recuperation or therapy, or is otherwise in the status of continuous care, including outpatient care, at a military treatment facility for an injury, illness, or disease described in paragraph (2) shall not be required to pay any charge for meals provided to the member by the military treatment facility during any month covered by paragraph (3) in which the member is entitled to a basic allowance for subsistence under this section.

` (2) Paragraph (1) applies with respect to an injury, illness, or disease incurred or aggravated by a member while the member was serving on active duty--

` (A) in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom or Operation Enduring Freedom; or

` (B) in any other operation designated by the Secretary of Defense as a combat operation or in an area designated by the Secretary as a combat zone.

` (3) This subsection shall apply to months beginning during the period beginning on October 1, 2005, and ending on December 31, 2006.'

(b) Repeal of Temporary Authority- Section 1023 of division A of the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Defense, the Global War on Terror, and Tsunami Relief, 2005 (Public Law 109-13), is repealed.